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EMPLOYMENT TO CANDIDATES WITH P.G. DIPLOMA IN ARCHAEOLOGY
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Will the Minister of TOURISM AND CULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) the total number of students who have successfully completed the Post Graduate Diploma in Archaeology from the Institute of Archaeology, New Delhi in the last 10 years;

(b) the number of students who have been provided employment in ASI during the said period ; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to improve research activities particularly excavation and exploration as well as publication of the excavation reports in ASI?

Answer

MINISTER FOR TOURISM AND CULTURE (SHRI JAGMOHAN)

(a) 133 students passed out during the last 10 years since 1990-92, out of which 16 Departmental students, 1 State Department and 8 from other countries.

(b) 60 passed out PGDA students have been provided employment in the Archaeological Survey of India during the said period and

(c) The Archaeological Survey of India has of late accelerated its research activities in the country in various fields including exploration and excavation through its specialized Branches as well as Circles and has also increased allocation of funds substantially. A new Excavation Branch is also being made operative. The Archaeological Survey of India has decided to extend logistic and technical support to the excavators for preparing excavation reports for publication.